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Firka Desp (1949) Department

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[Despatch Abstract.]

ESTABLISHMENT - Rural Reconstruction - Intensive work in Selected Firkas and Centres - Scheme - Formation of Agricult Co-operatives sanction of necessary staff - Proposals Negatived - Papers Recorded.

Finance (E III) Department

The file deals with proposal of Firka Development Department for sanctioning the employment of one Senior Inspector of Co-operative societies and one peon for each of the 31 selected Firkas and Centres in connection with the development of Co-operative movement. The cost on account of the staff is Rs. 61500/- per annum. Development Department hav stated that if the above staff is appointed, it would be necessary to employ the following staff also for dealing with papers relating to the Firka Development plan work .

(a) 26 Junior Inspectors of Co-operative Societies to work as clerks in the deputy Registrars' Offices, and

(b) 1 Senior Inspector clerk
1 Junior Inspector clerk and
1 L.D.clerk
} In the office of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies.

The total cost on account of the scheme including the staff in (a) and (b) above will then be Rs. 97,860 per annum.

Firka Development have stated that the expenditure on account of the 31 Senior Inspectors and 31 peons will be met from the fund for Village Reconstruction and Harijan Uplift, that it will not be necessary to follow the 'New Service' th procedure and that orders may b obtained ~~a~~ in circulation to Hon'ble Minister (Firka - Development) Hon'ble Minister (Local Administration) Hon'ble Minister (Finance) and Hon'ble Premier.

2. It is submitted that the above proposals are not new proposals. They were already brought forward by Development Department and considered in connection with the Part II Schmes for 1949-50. The only difference now is that the proposals have been renewed by Firka Development Department.

The late Deputy Secretary Finance requested Development Department to take orders in circulation whether the scheme could not be deferred in view of the financial stringency and observed that is essential that we cut down all expenditure for next year(1949-50) to the minimum. Hon'ble Minister (Finance) minuted that the scheme may be deferred. Hon'ble Premier minuted that no additional staff is necessary for the purpose. His minutes are extracted below:-

> "We have already increased the staff and no Additional staff is necessary for this purpose. For every work that we ask them to do they come up for additional staff. This should be discouraged. I know we can do lot of things with the existing staff if w have got mind."

Orders have accordingly been issued in G.O. 646 Development dated 10-2-49 that no additional staff is necessary for the purpose and that the work should be attended to by the existing staff in the Co-operative Departmer

It is seen that the orders turning down the prposals have been issued only last month. The fact that the expenditure is to be met from the fund for village Reconstruction and Harijan Uplift does not in any way chang the position regarding the need for additional staff. Wher Government are actively examining the retrenchment of the existing staff in all Departments by 12½% there seems to be no sufficient justification for sanctioning additional staf in the

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in the present case. The proposal is clearly against the orders of Hon'ble Minister (Finance and Honlbe Premier This Department may therefore advise that the proposal for additional staff may be dropped.

If Firka Development press the proposal, they may be requested to obtain orders in circulation including Hon'ble Minister (Finance) and Hon'ble Premier. Although it is not necessary to refer the scheme to the S.F.C. and the Cabinet, Firka Development will have to obtain a supplementary grant from the Legislature as early as possible in the next year as the cost on account of the staff exceeds Rs. 20,000/- recurring and the scheme is technically a 'New Service'

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Development Departments notification on page 4 ante show that steps have already been taken by way of sanctioning increased staff strenghhen and invigorate the Co-operative movement in the Province. He is suggeste that it should not be difficult for the selected Firkas and Centres to press this new staff suitably into Service. There is really no case for a separate senior inspection for each Firka in the continguential increase of staff in the offices of the Deputy Registrar and the Registrar himself.

Finance may advise against the proposal as being superflous.

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To K.S.O. — I.D. department

Pleas e see the notes of Development and Finance Departments from page 3 above. This file deals with the proplsals for sanctioning the employment of 1 Senior Inspector of Co-operative Societies and 1 peon foe each of the 34 selected firkas and centres in connection with the intensive development of Co.operative movement in the selected firkas and centres. Taking into account the posts sanctioned in this regard the net requirements in this file will come to 31 posts of Senior Inspectors of Co.operative Societies and 31 posts o peons involving an extra cost of Rs. 65,100/- per annum recurring (excluding the cost on account of House Rent allowance).

During September, '48 the R.C.S. submitted a Part II Sehmee Sheme for 1949-'50 for the employment of 31 Senior Inspectors and 31 peons for working in the firka areas; 26 Junior Inspectors to work as clerks in each of the Deputy Registrar's Offices and 1 Senior Inspector Clerk, 1 Junior Inspector Clerk and 1 Lower Division clerk for the Registrar's office for dealing with papers relating to the Firka Development plan. ~~The proposal of the~~

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The proposal of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies was, however, negatived. Please see the orders in circulation on page 12 note file. of 'X'.

The position has since been reconsidered during an informal meeting between the Hon'ble Minister (Firka Development) and Provincial Firka Development Officer and it was considered that agriculture being the basis of Rural Economy in the present state of the country, the Firka Development Department should be enabled to do some - thing to help the agriculturists in the pursuit of this his essential occupation. It was also proposed to form agricultural co-operatives in each selected firka or centre to secure seeds and implements for the agriculturists in proper time and quality. It is considered desirable that the co-operative movement should meet with conspicuous success in the selected areas. There appears to be no better way of helping the small cultivator than through co-operative effort. Steps will have to be taken at rehabilitating co-operative credit institutions, providing greater facilities for financing agricltural operations generally and and co-operative societies in particular, Assisting in the development of co-operative cottage industrial units, and co-operative marketting of agricultural prduce. The execution of these schemes involving a very considerable expansion of the co-operative movement will naturally necessitate a corresponding strenghhening of the staff of the Co-operative Department.

Development Department have agreed to the proposal . that Department have also remarked that if the senior Inspectors were appointed in the selected firkas and centres, it would be necessary for the reasons given by the Registrar in para 3 of his letter on page 5-6 c.f. of the G.O. at 'X' to appoint the staff referred to in item 2 on page 3 above. For orders whether in view of the financial stringency this part of the proposal may for the present be deferred.

This may be Deferred.

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Finance are, however, opposed to the proposals (i) and (ii) on page 3 above . That Department consider the proposal sup fluous. For orders whether this department will press for t sanction of 31 posts of Senior Inspectors of Co-operative Socieities and 31 peons to serve under them. The case may b circulated to the Hon'ble Minister (Firka Development) Hon'ble Minister (Local Administration) Hon'ble Minister (Finance) and the Hon'ble Premier.

Hon'ble Minister (Firka Development) may see for orders on 'A'

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Honible Minister (Firka Development)

To develop the villages in the Firkas further we need to press for (i) and omit (ii) of the Proposals.

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The proposals are the same as those put forth by the Development Department and negatived in the G.O.

at 'X' They are only now being renewed by the Firka Development Department with this difference that only item (1) is pressed. I fail to see what additional grounds there are for accepting only item(1). Either both may be accepted or both may negatived again.

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Old orders may stand.

Sd. Hon'ble Minister.

It is not necessary to appoint Senior Inspectors of Co-operative Societies separately to these firkas. With the existing staff of the co-operative department you can attend to this work

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Hon 'ble Premier.

Firka Development Department.

Orders in circulation page 9 above.

May be recirculated to the Hon'ble Minister (Firka Development Department) for perusal of the minutes of the Hon'ble Minister (Local Administration) Hon'ble Minister (Finance) and the Hon'ble Premier. on page 9 above.

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